

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF: SE-5J

August 8, 2018

Mr. Frank Rivera
Executive Director
City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment
4525 Indianapolis Boulevard
East Chicago, IN 46312

RE: USS Lead Superfund Site - Property Status Inquiry

Dear Mr. Rivera,

The purpose of this letter is to follow up on our discussion from July 26, 2018, regarding the status of 24 properties located within the USS Lead Superfund Site. Please let me know if this response satisfies your request or if additional information is needed.

The table below summarizes the current remediation status for all 24 properties that you inquired about, including privately-owned properties and properties owned by the City of East Chicago Department of Redevelopment (ECDR). Soil sampling results letters for properties owned by the ECDR were initially sent via U.S. Mail; additional copies of these letter are provided with this response letter. When remediation is completed at ECDR-owned properties, a property excavation completion letter will be sent directly to ECDR. Copies of letters sent to privately-owned properties are not included with this response for privacy reasons, but the status of those properties are summarized in the table below.

Table 1 - Summary Table August 8, 2018				
Property Address	Ownership	Current Status		
Personal Address / Ex. 6	Unknown	Unable to confirm due to invalid address		
	ECDR	Remediated by City of East Chicago in 2010.		
	ECDR	Sampled. Remediation Required - Scheduled for 2018		
	ECDR	Sampled. No Remediation Required		
	Private	Remediated in 2017		
	Private	Sampled. No Remediation Required		
	Private	Sampled. Remediation Required - Scheduled for 2019		
	Private	Remediated in 2017		
	Private	Remediated in 2017		
	ECDR	Sampled. Remediation Required - Scheduled for 2019		

Table 1 - Summary Table August 8, 2018				
Property Address	Ownership	Current Status		
Personal Address / Ex. 6	Private	Sampled. No Remediation Required		
	Private	Access Needed for Soil Sampling		
	Private	Remediated in 2017		
	Private	Remediated in 2017		
	Private	Sampled. Remediation Required - Scheduled for 2019		
	Private	Remediated in 2017		
	Private	Remediated in 2017		
	Private	Remediated in 2017		
	Private	Remediated in 2018		
	ECDR	Remediated by City of East Chicago in 2010. Parkway Remediated in 2018		
	Private	Access Granted. Sampled in 2018. Remediation Required - Scheduled for 2018		
	Private	Remediated in 2018		
	Private	Remediated in 2018		
	Private	Remediated in 2016		

The table below summaries private properties discussed where EPA has completed the cleanup of lead- and/or arsenic-contaminated soil. This work was conducted as part of the USS Lead Superfund Site. EPA has removed soil from the areas in each property that exceeded 400 parts per million (ppm) for lead and/or 26 ppm for arsenic and has restored those areas with clean soil and sod. This letter certifies that the clean replacement soil was tested to verify that lead and arsenic levels are below what EPA considers protective of children's health.

Table 2 - Remediated Properties - Private Ownership August 8, 2018				
Property Address	Ownership	Current Status		
	Private	Remediated in 2017		
	Private	Remediated in 2017		
	Private	Remediated in 2017		
	Private	Remediated in 2017		
	Private	Remediated in 2017		
Personal Address / Ex. 6	Private	Remediated in 2017		
	Private	Remediated in 2017		
	Private	Remediated in 2017		
	Private	Remediated in 2018		
	Private	Remediated in 2018		
	Private	Remediated in 2018		

Table 3 summaries private properties discussed where results for all of EPA's soil samples collected from the property within 24 inches of the surface show that concentrations of lead and arsenic were below the cleanup levels of 400 ppm for lead and 26 ppm for arsenic. The results show that cleanup is not required at these properties.

Table 3 - Properties Sampled with No Remediation Required - Private Ownership August 8, 2018				
Property Address	Ownership	Current Status		
D	Private	Sampled. No Remediation Required		
Personal Address / Ex. 6	Private	Sampled. No Remediation Required		

We look forward to our continued work together. If you have any questions, please contact myself, at 312-886-6906, or Sarah Rolfes, the Remedial Project Manager, at 312-886-6551.

Sincerely,

Daniel Haag

On-Scene Coordinator

cc. Sarah Rolfes, EPA RPM